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## Interview Summary

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**Applicant(s)**

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**Examiner**

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Mark Hageman.

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(2) Brett Valiquet.

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Date of Interview: 26 April 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 16,23 and 24.

Identification of prior art discussed: Muller.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

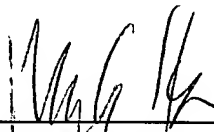
Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's attorney contacted examiner to discuss proposed claim language. Specifically claim language that would render the adjustable length of the conveying table as a structural limitation rather than a functional limitation. It was agreed that claim language positively reciting two different conveyor table lengths at 2 different pivotal positions of the conveyor table would provide a structural basis for the adjustable length limitation. Furthermore it was agreed that such language would overcome the rejection set forth in the final office action. Following applicant approval, the new claim language will be submitted for review as an amendment after final.